

Small-Class Education that Develops Individuality

Jiyu Gakuen is a relatively small school with only about 900 students from kindergarten through college. Each grade of the school only has one class, except for the Girls Department, which has 50 students in one grade divided into two classes. In order to realize our educational philosophy, this small class size is as essential as the continuous education program.

Under the small-class system, teachers and students get to know each other very well; and this enables them to learn to understand and accept each other, both the good and the bad sides, thus building up close relationships. Sometimes, students in the class are further divided into smaller groups to be in charge of managing daily chores or school event. Each member of each group plays his or her role to accomplish their common goal. By helping each other and compensating for each other's weaknesses, students learn the true meaning of cooperation, which helps them discover their own potential.

Jiyu Gakuen values daily life within one community. Not only for classmates but for all students—both elder and younger—share a school life cooperating and working hard together. From such experience, they start to nurture true, lifelong friendships. We pride ourselves in believing that this is a gift of Jiyu Gakuen's small-class, continuous education system.



A kindergarten physical exercise class



Junior high boys learning mathematics



An English class in the Girls Department



A college student making her group-study presentation



A physics class in the Girls Department



Elementary school children working on their science studies



High school boys in their computer class



Elementary school children making a presentation